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In re Patent Application of )  
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Application No.: 09/560,475 ) Examiner: Amy E. Pulliam  
Filed: April 28, 2000 ) Confirmation No.: 3797  
For: Anti-Inflammatory Bioactive Glass )  
Particulates )  
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Amendment

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Enclosed is a response to the Office Action mailed June 25, 2002, for the above-identified patent application.

No additional claim fee is required.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1-11 and 13-15 without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject matter contained therein.

Please amend claim 12 as follows:

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12. (Amended) A method for minimizing the production of TNF- $\alpha$  caused by an inflammatory response in a patient comprising administering a locally effective TNF- $\alpha$  lowering amount of bioactive glass particles with a size less than about 20  $\mu$ m to the patient.

Please add new claims 16-25 as follows:

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16. (New) The method of claim 12 wherein the locally effective TNF- $\alpha$  lowering amount of bioactive glass particles is administered by intraperitoneal injection.

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